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 U.S. Application No. : To be assigned **10/533273**
 Filed : Herewith - 28 April 2005
 Applicant(s) : Lorenzo MALDINA, et al
 International Application No. : PCT/IB2003/004772
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 Priority Date Claimed : 30 October 2002 (BO2002 A 000679)
 Title of Invention : **A UNIT FOR TRANSFERRING AND SPACING ARTICLES**

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371 (f)] at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set forth in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☒ The U.S. has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]
 - a) ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau)
 - b) ☒ has been transmitted by the international Bureau
 - c) ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☐ A translation of the International Application into English [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]
 - a) ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau)
 - b) ☒ have been transmitted by the International Bureau
 - c) ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has **NOT** expired.
 - d) ☐ have not been made and will not be made
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)]
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)]

Items 11. to 17. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98 (docs.)
12. ☐ An Assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet (PTO-1595) in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 are included.
13. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment
14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76
15. ☐ **THE APPLICANT AND/OR ASSIGNEE, IF ANY, HEREBY CLAIMS SMALL ENTITY STATUS.**
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter
17. ☒ (other items or information) **A clean copy of the application as amended; PCT Pub. No WO 2004/039707**

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18. X The following fees are submitted:

BASIC NATIONAL FEE [37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)]:

CALCULATIONS

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Basic National Fee.....	\$300.00	300.00	
Examination fee:			
___ International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article33(1)-(4).....	\$100.00		
___ All other situations.....	\$200.00	200.00	
Search Fee:			
___ Search Fee paid to the USPTO.....	\$100.00		
___ International Search Report Prepared and provided to the Office.....	\$400.00		
___ All other situations.....	\$500.00	500.00	
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Claims	Number filed	Number extra	Rate
Total Claims	-20=	x	\$ 50. =
Indep. Claims	-03=	x	\$ 200 =
___ Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)		+ \$360.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS:		\$ 1000 .00	
Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 pages-\$250 for each additional 50 sheets of papers or fraction thereof.		\$0	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 CFR 1.492(e)]		\$0	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS:		\$ 1000 .00	
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. [Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28]		\$	
SUBTOTAL:		\$.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English Translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 CFR 1.492(f)]			
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE:		\$ 1000.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 CFR 1.21(h)] The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (PTO-1595) [37 CFR 3.28, 3.31]. \$ 40.00 per property +		\$	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED:		\$ 1000.00	
Amount to be refunded			\$
Amount to be charged			\$

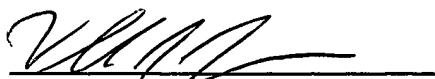
X A check in the amount of \$1000.00 to cover the above fees in enclosed.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the deposit account any other fees required with this submission or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No: 04-0838. A duplicate of this form is enclosed.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 36 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive [37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)] must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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